

Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of using a wireless scheduling device in communication with a wireless network facility to determine schedule availability for a set of attendees, the method comprising:
 - a. communicating an availability request to a server over a wireless network facility using the wireless scheduling device, the server having access to calendar data for each attendee in the set of attendees;
 - b. in response to the availability request, conducting a search of the calendar data of each attendee of the set to produce an availability data set;
 - c. transmitting the availability data set over a wireless network facility to the wireless scheduling device.
2. (Original) A method according to claim 1, further including:
displaying data derived from the availability data set on the wireless scheduling device.
3. (Original) A method according to claim 2, wherein the data derived from the availability data set is displayed as free time and busy time.
4. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the availability request is communicated to the server via a network.
5. (Original) A method according to claim 4, wherein the network includes the Internet.

6. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the availability request includes an identifier for each attendee and a time period for which availability should be determined.

7. (Original) A method according to claim 6, wherein the identifier for each attendee is an email address.

8. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the calendar data for each attendee is stored in an availability database in communication with the server.

9. (Original) A method according to claim 1, further including:
scheduling an event based on the availability data set.

10. (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the event is scheduled using the wireless scheduling device.

11. (Original) A method according to claim 9, further including:
updating the calendar data for each attendee with the scheduled event.

12. (Original) A method according to claim 1, further including before step b:
requesting access to the calendar data for each attendee in the set of attendees.

13. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein access to calendar data is requested via email over the Internet.

14. (Currently Amended) A system for determining schedule availability of a set of attendees using a wireless scheduling device, the system comprising:
a first process, running on the wireless scheduling device in

communication with a server over a wireless network facility, for communicating an availability request to the server, the server having access to calendar data for each attendee in the set of attendees;

a second process, running on the server, for conducting a search of the calendar data of each attendee of the set to produce an availability data set in response to the availability request; and

a third process, running on the server, for transmitting the availability data set to the wireless scheduling device over a wireless network facility.

15. (Original) A system according to claim 14, further including:

a fourth process, running on the wireless scheduling device, for displaying data derived from the availability data set on the wireless scheduling device.

16. (Original) A system according to claim 15, wherein the data derived from the availability data set is displayed as free time and busy time.

17. (Original) A system according to claim 14, wherein the availability request is communicated to the server via a network.

18. (Original) A system according to claim 17, wherein the network includes the Internet.

19. (Original) A system according to claim 14, wherein the availability request includes an identifier for each attendee and a time period for which availability should be determined.

20. (Original) A system according to claim 19, wherein the identifier for each attendee is an email address.

21. (Original) A system according to claim 14, wherein the calendar data for each attendee is stored in an availability database in communication with the server.

22. (Currently Amended) A wireless scheduling device comprising:
availability logic for creating an availability request to determine schedule availability for a set of attendees;
transmission logic for communicating the availability request over a wireless network facility to a server, the server having access to calendar data for each attendee in the set of attendees; and
receiving logic for receiving an availability data set produced at the server from a wireless network facility in response to the availability request.

23. (Original) A wireless scheduling device according to claim 22, further including:

display logic for displaying data derived form the availability data set.

24. (Original) A wireless scheduling device according to claim 23, wherein the data derived from the availability data set is displayed as free time and busy time.

25. (Original) A wireless scheduling device according to claim 22, wherein the availability request includes an identifier for each of the attendees and a time period for which availability should be determined.

26. (Original) A wireless scheduling device according to claim 25, wherein the identifier for each attendee is an email address.